CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication: IMG_6276.JPG

Other known title(s): Not stated

OFLC ref: 1900203.039

Medium: Image File

Publisher: Not stated

Country of origin: Not stated

Language: Not applicable

Applicant: Commissioner of Police

Classification: Objectionable.

Descriptive note: None

Display conditions: None

Date of entry in Register: 02 August 2019

Date of direction to issue

a label:

No direction to issue a label has been issued

Date of notice of decision: 02 August 2019

Summary of reasons for decision:

The image file contains a sexualised image of a young teenage boy. It is classified objectionable under s3(3)(b) of the Films, Videos and Publications Classification Act 1993 because it exploits the nudity of its young subject to such a degree that its availability would be injurious to the public good. This classification interferes with the right to freedom of expression provided by the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990, however it is reasonable and justified in order to prevent injury to the public good. It also reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to protect its young and vulnerable members from exploitation.